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1. U.S. Patent No. 4,899,787, dated February 13, 1990, issued to Ouchi et al.; and
2. Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 10-276968, published October 20, 1998 previously submitted with an English language abstract.

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Respectfully submitted,

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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